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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of George E. Fox,)
Richard C. Willson III and Zhengdong Zhang)
Serial No.:10/057,270) Examiner
) Jason Sims
Filed: 26 Jan 2002) Group 1631
For: ... Methods for Determining the Genetic)
Affinity of Microorganisms and Viruses)
Priority: 26 Jan 2001, USSN 60/254,403)
Attorney Docket: 010AUS)
USPTO Customer Number: 26830)
Response Due: 9 September 2009 [Three Months after Final])

Commissioner for Patents
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Office Action mailed 31 August 2009 by Examiner Sims, consideration of the following Supplemental Amendments and Remarks is solicited. The entry of the Amendment filed 7 August 2009 is also solicited.

One additional dependent claim fee is believed due because Claim 47 was added.
Applicants are responding within two months of the Final Action.

The Undersigned Attorney certifies that this Document has been filed via fax to
1571 273 8300 Central fax of the USPTO on 8 September 2009.

The Examiner is thanked for the helpful advisory action and its comment that the amendments when entered would overcome the rejections under 35 USC 101.